



## Newsletter July 2011

Welcome to our new readers and welcome to the events and exhibitions being held at the Polish Heritage Trust Museum, we hope to see you soon.



Painted wooden plate with words on reverse,  
Polish Camp 4 February 1948

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**Museum hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 - 5**

**Sunday 12 - 5**

**Mailing and emailing update.** Saving time and the planet, it will be greatly appreciated to correspond with you by email, contact [phtmuseum@ihug.co.nz](mailto:phtmuseum@ihug.co.nz)

Received this newsletter from a friend or a family member? Have you changed your address and no longer get the newsletter? Know someone who would like to be on the PHTM database? Contact us and we will post/email a copy to you or them.

## Sunday Winter Films 2011 Start time 2pm

### Entry by donation, thank you

We are happy to email the programme with the titles and short description of the films at the beginning of each month. Start time 2pm.

We will need your email address please email us [phtmuseum@ihug.co.nz](mailto:phtmuseum@ihug.co.nz)

### JULY

**3rd Pan Tadeusz**, by A. Wajda, 150min, English subtitles. The national epic of Poland.

**10th, Katyn**, by A. Wajda, 117min, English subtitles. Katyn is a name of the forest where the Soviets secretly murdered 22,000 Polish officers, intellectuals and professionals over a 3 day period in 1940.

**17th, Quo Vadis**, by J. Kawalerowicz, 172min, English subtitles. The story depicts the persecution of the Christians in first century Rome.

**24th, Stara Basn**, by J. Hoffman, 107min, English subtitles. Or When the Sun was God is an outstanding 10C story. Beautiful photography.

### AUGUST

**7th, Banks of the Niemnem**, by Z. Kuzminski, 160min, English subtitles. A battle between love and social status brews in this sweeping historical drama set in 1863 Poland.

**14th, Our Lady of Czestochowa**, by A. Wierzbicki, 50min, in English. A film showing the history of the monastery and sanctuary of The Jasna Gora in Czestochowa, Poland. An art historians delight

**21st, Karol**, by G. Battiato, 186min in English. The life story of Pope John Paul II who was born as Karol Józef Wojtyła.

**28th, Polish Battle of Britain**, 40min approx, CBS in English. Documentary of the Battle of the Britain, History of 303 squadron and its Polish pilots. A second film will be offered on this day if time permits  
**Gladiators, Free Polish Forces**, 48 min documentary, In English

### SEPTEMBER

**11th Marble Man**, by A. Wajda, 156min, in English subtitles. Stalinist practice of documentary filmmaking in post war Poland, based on the life story one of the best workers of the Stalin era.

**18th, Iron Man**, by A. Wajda, 157min, English subtitles. Remarkable critic of the Communist regime in Poland. Follows from Marble Man

**25th, Behind Closed Doors**, part 1, L. Rees, 172min, in English, A compelling new way of understanding the most secret and dramatic events of the Second World War.

**2nd October, Behind Closed Doors**, part 2, L. Rees, 172, in English

## Upcoming events July to September 2011

### JULY

**Sunday Winter Films** (see other page)

**21st School Holiday Film** "In Desert and Wilderness" by Gavin Hood, 111min, in English, Polish Stas 14 and English Nel 8, are in Egypt with their fathers and are kidnapped. The real adventures begin, seeing them travel over the vast deserts of Africa, 2pm. Based on the book "W pustyni i w puszczy" by H. Sienkiewicz. Gold coin donation.

**22nd Wycinanki or Polish Paper Art** workshop for primary & intermediate school children, \$ 3 pp, 2pm -3.30pm. Please ring to book See more details about the Wycinanki workshop below

**27th School Holiday Film** "In Desert and Wilderness" see above 2pm

**29th, Wycinanki or Polish Paper Art** for adults, \$5 pp 10am.



A continuation of the popular Cut-out Workshops from May Come and continue your masterpieces, New participants welcome at any time, see the slide show from the National Museum of Gdansk, Poland and learn this wonderful traditional Art with Paper. Get your friends together and come on over...please ring to book.

### AUGUST

**Sunday Winter Films** (see other page)

**12th Wycinanki or Polish Paper Art** workshop for adults \$5 pp 2 to 4pm and/or **7pm to 9pm?**, A continuation of the popular Cut-out Workshops from May. Bookings essential for the evening session. See details above. Please ring to book.

### SEPTEMBER

**Sunday Winter Films** (see other page)

**7th Poles Apart**, the most popular film, shown to the PHTM group visits, story of 733 children arriving to NZ in 1944 62min, by donation  
**22nd Wycinanki or Polish paper art workshop** for adults, \$5 pp, 2pm, A continuation of the popular Cut-out Workshops from May, see above. Please ring to book

### *WANTED for 2012*

*You and/or your friend may own a collection of similar Polish items or objects and you would be willing to loan to the PHTM for a Special Exhibition during 2012  
These special exhibitions are usually running for a period of one month. If you are interested please contact us. Many thanks*

## Donations and documents

Polish Heritage Trust Museum collects, looks after and displays items related to Poland and Polish people in New Zealand. We welcome all photographs, documents, ceramics, paintings, books, magazines, toys, traditional garments, Polish objects, embroideries, handcrafts, and souvenirs. Do you live out of Auckland?, then just give us a call and we can make suitable arrangements for you.

*If you are not wanting to let your precious photographs and documents go, for good, but you would love to share them with others, and we would be very appreciative to have a copy. PHTM can digitally scan and return these to you promptly. Extreme care taken by museum staff.*

### Donations

Thank you for the varied and wonderful donations we have received so far this year, it's a very simple process for you, a little paperwork, and visitors really appreciate all the wonderful displays. **Thank you from the visitors who exclaim, wow, as they enter the museum!**

### The History of your donation is relevant

This will help us with correct providence of the object or book and will ensure a correct description label when displayed. Have you already donated a precious object and not told us the story yet, we would love to hear all about it, it is very important for future generations to have this knowledge and information



Museum collection  
Wawel head miniature,  
of the ceiling decoration

Museum collection  
Costumed dolls from Polesie  
Region



## A little of what's been happening...

In March we hosted a group of friends, called the Pahiatua Girls who brought along their family and friends. Thank you for a great day at the museum. We appreciate the generosity of the donors, both monetary and also for the beautiful selection of objects that were received on the day. Thank you

**New table display, Memories to Memoirs**, Memoirs written by Poles who, as an outcome of WWII, came to New Zealand. We have on display published books, articles, photo albums, and typed life stories. We will continue to collect people memoirs (written or oral) if you will be interested to share with others, let us know.

1st of July has seen **Poland taking the Presidency of the Council of the European Union**. This honour will last till the end of 2011. Poland is the only country in the EU to have positive economic growth during the recent recession.

**The 60th anniversary of World Refugee Day** was celebrated on June 19th in Mangere Auckland, the 733 Children of Pahiatua were remembered as the first refugee group to be invited to New Zealand by the then Prime Minister Peter Fraser, 67 years ago. PHTM was invited to attend this event and with the Auckland Polish Assn put together two large and colourful displays which were admired by all.

### Students visit the museum

Over 2 weeks in July, 9 classrooms of students from Cockle Bay Primary School enjoyed a visit to the museum, each visit was based on the book "Stefania's dancing slippers" with a DVD presentation of the story, complemented with black and white original photographs of the period 1939-1949. Students also learned about Poland and its cultural diversity, learning to say Witamy and Dzień dobry and experienced a traditional bread and salt welcome.

**Group booking are at their most popular over the winter months, mornings or afternoons, we have heating over the winter and cool air in the summer. Get your group together and you will enjoy your visit to the PHTM. \$7.00 pp includes tea/coffee, a talk, Poles Apart film and a look around the Upper and Lower Galleries, 2.5 hours**

## Polish Museum Shop Catalogue

### DVD / CD

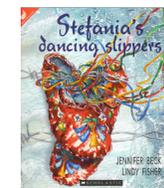
- Poles Apart \$35
- Karol (VHS) \$35 (one left)
- The story of the Polish Children in Isfahan 1942 -1944 \$10

### BOOKS (English)

- A STRANGE OUTCOME - John Roy Wojciechowski and Allan Parker, \$35
- BLACK MADONNA COMES TO NEW ZEALAND \$5
- PAN TADEUSZ \$35
- N Z 'S FIRST REFUGEES, Pahiatua's Polish Children \$ 35
- POLISH KIWIS, Pictures from an Exhibition - A Suchanski \$ 40

### BOOKS (Polish)

- OGROD - Zofia Korzeniowska \$10 (poetry)
- POLSKI NOWOZELANDCZYK - John Roy Wojciechowski and Allan Parker \$35
- POLACY W NOWEJ ZELANDII - Marian Kałuski \$35
- DWIE OJCZYZNY Polskie dzieci w Nowej Zelandii. Tutajże wspomnienia \$40



### BOOKS FOR CHILDREN *Ideal gifts for Christmas*

- **STEFANIA'S DANCING SLIPPERS** - J Beck, L Fisher \$20  
*Stefania travels from Poland, Siberia, Persia and arrives at Pahiatua NZ*
- **MARTHA and the MANGER STRAW** *Sharing Christmas Traditions from Poland* - Virginia Kroll, Robyn Belton \$20

### MAGAZINES (Polish)

- Echa Polesia magazine, various issues \$5
- Przegląd Uniwersytecki Rok XVIII maj-czerwiec 06 Nr 3 \$5

### COINS / ARMBAND

- 2 zł Commemorative Sybiracy coin \$5
- Armband Sybiracy Society \$15

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